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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN WEST BANK/GAZA COUNTERPROPOSAL

1. AT PRIMIN SALEM'S TEA LAST EVENING FOR VISITING UTAH EDUCATORS, HE ASKED IF THE ISRAELIS HAD YET REPLIED TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S INVITATION TO ATTEND LONDON CONFERENCE. I TOLD HIM THAT THE INVITATION HAD ONLY BEEN DELIVERED EARLIER THAT DAY. WE HAD HAD SOME INDICATIONS THAT THE ISRAELIS MIGHT NOT REPLY UNTIL AFTER JULY 9 CABINET MEETING. I THOUGHT THE CHANCES WERE GOOD, HOWEVER, THAT THEY WOULD ACCEPT THE INVITATION. SALEM WAS NOT DISPLEASED. HE COMMENTED THAT, AFTER SADAT'S IMMEDIATE ACCEPTANCE OF THE ORAL INVITATION CONVEYED BY VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE, THE ISRAELI "STALLING" WILL AGAIN DEMONSTRATE TO WORLD PUBLIC OPINION WHO IS MORE INTERESTED IN PEACE.

2. SHORTLY AFTERWARDS FONMIN KAMEL CAME IN. HE ASKED THE SAME QUESTION AND WE WENT THROUGH VIRTUALLY THE SAME CONVERSATION. KAMEL ALSO EXPRESSED NO CONCERN ABOUT THE ISRAELI DELAY IN REPLYING AND OPINED THAT IN TERMS OF PUBLIC OPINION THIS WORKS IN EGYPT'S FAVOR. EILTS

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